

**56. AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE CREATION OF A WATERFRONT  
COMMISSION FOR THE CITY OF GROTON  
(APRIL 5, 1976)**

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Groton that pursuant to the provisions of Section 7-148 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, there is hereby created a Waterfront Commission for the City of Groton as follows:

**Section 1** - There is hereby created for the City of Groton a Waterfront Commission which shall consist of five (5) regular members and three (3) alternate members who shall be electors of such city holding no salaried municipal office.

**Section 2** - The Waterfront Commission shall have all powers necessary to provide for the protection and improvement of the waterfronts of the City of Groton. If the said commission is designated as the harbor improvement agency pursuant to the provisions of Section 13b-56 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, then in that event said commission shall have all the powers and duties of harbor improvement agencies as prescribed by the general statutes and as the same may be amended.

**Section 3** - The commission shall be appointed by the city council as follows: one regular member shall be appointed for a term of one (1) year; one for two (2) years; one for three (3) years; one for four (4) years; and one for five (5) years; one alternate member shall be appointed for a term of three (3) years; one for four (4) years; and one for five (5) years. The original appointments shall be made not later than the second regular meeting of the city council following the effective date of this ordinance.

**Section 4** - The members shall commence to serve their respective terms immediately upon appointment and shall serve until their successors have qualified.

**Section 5** - Thereafter as each of the terms of the regular and alternate members shall expire the city council shall appoint a successor for a term of five (5) years to fill the vacant position.

**Section 6** - Any vacancy in the commission other than by expiration of term shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the term by the remaining regular members of said commission.

**Section 7** - Any regular or alternate member of the commission may be removed from the commission by the city council for good cause.

**Section 8** - If a regular member of the commission is absent or is disqualified the chairman of the commission shall designate an alternate to so act, choosing alternates in rotation so that they shall act as nearly equal a number of times as possible. If any alternate is not available in accordance with such rotation, such fact shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

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